
DIGEST

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HB No. 497

Abstract: Repeals reporting requirements concerning suits filed in district court for damages by the clerk of court to the commissioner of insurance and requires limited reporting of information to the judicial administrator of the supreme court as required by supreme court rule.

Present law provides that when a suit has been filed in state district court for damages arising from an offense or quasi offense, the clerk of court or an insurer lawfully authorized to transact business in this state shall submit required information to the commissioner of insurance. Requires the clerk of court to submit information including the names of the parties, the nature of the injuries involved in the suit, and information regarding a settlement or judgment in the suit. Provides for the information to be submitted within a certain period of time.

Proposed law repeals present law and provides when a suit has been filed in state district court for damages arising from an offense or quasi offense, the clerk of court shall submit information as required by supreme court rule to the judicial administrator of the supreme court.

Present law provides that a processing fee of \$5 for the clerk of court and \$5 for the office of commissioner of insurance shall be taxed as costs of court in each suit on which the required information is submitted by the clerk of court.

Proposed law repeals provisions of present law and provides that a processing fee of \$5 for the clerk of court and \$5 for the office of the judicial administrator shall be taxed as costs of court in each suit on which the required information by supreme court rule is submitted by the clerk of court.

Proposed law repeals provisions of present law which provides that information received by the commissioner of insurance shall not be subject to subpoena, and provides that information received by the judicial administrator pursuant to supreme court rules shall not be subject to subpoena.

Effective Jan. 1, 2012.

(Adds R.S. 13:4688; Repeals R.S. 9:2800.7)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Judiciary to the original bill.

1. Changed the effective date from Jan. 1, 2011 to Jan. 1, 2012.